

ABSTRACT

A magnetic recording medium includes an orientation adjusting layer, a nonmagnetic under layer, a nonmagnetic intermediate layer, a magnetic layer and a protective layer sequentially stacked on a nonmagnetic substrate provided on a first surface thereof with a texture streak and used for a magnetic disc. The nonmagnetic under layer contains at least a layer formed of a Cr-Mn-based alloy and possesses magnetic anisotropy having an axis of easy magnetization in a circumferential direction thereof. A magnetic recording and reproducing device includes the magnetic recording medium and a magnetic head for enabling information to be recorded in and reproduced from the magnetic recording medium.